

Dear Food and Drug Administration;

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I am writing in reference to Dockets 98N-1230, 96P-0418, 97P-0197. I understand you have the authority to ban cruel, immoral and unhealthy farm practices. I am referring in this case to battery cages for hens and forced molting. I know these will be outlawed in the near future as humans evolve to a higher and more sensitive level. Already as you know, these practices have been banned in Great Britain. These hens are living, breathing, sensitive creatures with some of the same feelings and desires as humans like you and me., fresh air, the need to exercise our bodies, relationships with family and friends, the right to a healthy and happy life. It is horrible enough that we deprive them of all of their God given inherent rights of life. How can they be deprived of food and water? What kind of feeling beings would do that to another? Just to squeeze a little more profit out of an already tortured and I'm sure driven insane harmless fellow earth inhabitant. It's pretty sad when you can honestly say that the best thing that ever happens to these hens and all the other beautiful sensitive creatures who are forced to live under these barbaric factory farm conditions is the death that releases their gentle souls from the dirty, disease ridden , hellish life. Please help put an end to these practices. Please help ban forced molting and battery cages. If you can't feel the immorality at least recognize the disease producing conditions under which food for humans is being raised. Thank you so much.

If there is anything I can do to help please let me know.

I have great faith in you,


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